



Take Flight

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WELCOME FROM YOUR PASSIONATE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents and Community Members,

Happy New Year!!! The third quarter of school begins next week, and our teachers and students are working extremely hard to meet the school improvement goals by engaging in rigorous classroom activities and assessments. As we continue to prepare for the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). I encourage you to view the assessment dates posted on our school's website and newsletter.

There are resources available for parents to monitor the academic progress of their children. Parents can utilize Pinnacle to check grades, assignments and attendance. Currently, we are encouraging all students to utilize iReady to prepare for the upcoming assessments. In fact, students took the iReady mid-year Reading assessment on December 7-8 and will take the mid-year Math test on January 11-12. Students who score well will be invited to our iReady Movie Night on Friday, January 15th!

Also, we will be starting in-school and after-school tutoring in February. If you have any concerns about student support, please contact the school or attend our next School Advisory Council online meeting at 6 P.M. on the second Tuesday (January 12th and February 9th). Just go to our website www.browardschools.com/markham and scroll to click on the SAC link.

If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call our main office at 754-322-6950. I am more than happy to assist you!

Sincerely,

Shedrick Dukes, Principal

Calendar of Events

- 1/04 School Resumes
- 1/12 Early Release/SAC/SAF @ 6:00 pm
- 1/15 IREADY Movie Night
- 1/18-1/22 No Name Calling Week
- 1/27 International Holocaust Remembrance Day



Why Science Matters in Daily Life..

Science, directly and indirectly, influences all aspects of everyday life. From the food we eat to the way we get around, science is everywhere. Once you begin to see all the opportunities to learn, the relationship between science and critical-thinking skills become apparent.

Beginning when children are very young, science helps shape their development. As they learn to ask questions, make predictions, observe, test, and then communicate their findings, they are developing critical science skills.

Kids should learn science because:

Science helps children develop key life skills including an ability to communicate, remain organized and focused, and even form their own opinions based on observation. Science also helps children develop their senses and overall awareness. Children are hands-on learners, and the world around them provides so many natural opportunities. That is why you should never underestimate the power learning through play. Interacting with their environment will support their intellectual development. Children are primed for learning, and what they learn while they're young can impact their interests later in life.

Educationally Yours,

Dr. Erica Levine

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5th Grade

We Welcome 2021!

Thank you, **PARENTS** for all that you do and making sure our students are logged in daily, and on time. Remember stay safe and social distance. "2021" is our year and 5th grade Rocks!

4th Grade


"Great Minds" will grow and thrive in 2021!
Keep doing what you are doing!



3rd Grade

Hello Parents,

We are ready in 2021 for our 3rd-grade Scholars! Although it is challenging, we are doing it. Now it's time to Soar to Success into our third 9 weeks. We are not saying it's going to be easy, but we are saying it's going to be worth it! Please continue to support us as we strive into our core lessons to meet our goals. We will continue to teach our scholars, inspire them, and help them grow to succeed.

Sincerely 3rd-grade Team 

2nd Grade

The Second Grade is **Soaring to Success!** We are excited about Virtual Learning and will work together to continue to make it happen in 2021.

Sincerely, Second Grade

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1st Grade

As we jump into 2021 with a bang, first grade would like to thank our students and their families for a healthy and safe 2020 school year. E-learning is a challenge for young students, but there are some things you can do to help. Build a weekly schedule and hang it up in a noticeable place like the refrigerator. This will help keep your child accountable and establish an effective routine. Parents make a big difference modeling hard work and persistence. For example, talk to your child about you starting a new hobby, and how try and fail works because you tried. Talk about a project at work and the steps you are taking. Design a designated workspace; this makes a huge difference in students' mindset and ability to focus. Get to know Canvas. Familiarizing yourself with the online tools being used, gives you a better grasp on what your child's learning looks like and how you can most effectively provide support. The most important one, stay in communication with your child's teacher.

The Fabulous 1st Grade!

Kindergarten

Can you believe that it is January 2021 already? As we are in the last week of the 2nd Quarter, please be mindful that all students should be present and engaged daily. Pertinent learning activities and assignments are missed when students are not attending school. Please continue to support your child in this e-learning environment, as we teach and inspire them to succeed!

With winter break over, we still encourage all students to read a few minutes each day to keep their brains growing and ready! In 2021 Kindergarten will Soar to Success!

THANK YOU PARENTS and GUARDIANS for all that you've done thus far on this journey! ♥ Stay safe!



- The Kindergarten Team

Pre-K

Pre-K teachers work on a daily basis providing literacy development activities, including listening comprehension, verbal expression, and vocabulary development. Oral language development is facilitated when children have many opportunities to use language in interactions with adults and each other and when they listen and respond to stories. Young children build vocabulary when they engage in activities that are cognitively and linguistically stimulating by encouraging them to describe events and build background knowledge

Specials

Mr. Phillips, our awesome Music Special Teacher, provides students the opportunity to engage in general music class, band, and orchestra. Students can explore musical concepts, different instruments, and the important elements related to musical inquiry. Music education also benefits the mental and social development of the young child. Spatial temporal skills allow students to visualize music. This helps them understand how elements fit together, which is required in solving math problems. Music education is also found to support language development as it the development of the left side of the brain, which also processes language.

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Exceptional Student Education/Gifted

Exceptional Student Education services will be provided online via Canvas and Virtual Microsoft Teams and/or Zoom meetings. Ms. Miele is our ESE Teacher and Mrs. Brown is our Speech/Language Pathologist this year. ESE staffing's for IEP's or recent evaluations will occur via a scheduled, virtual Microsoft Teams meeting with parents and staff members or may be held via a telephone conference.

RTI, or Response to Intervention

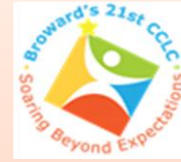
Students that are in RTI will be receiving interventions from their teacher via online instruction catered to their areas of need.

For additional questions about ESE Services, RTI/Intervention/Evaluations contact Jamie Moore, ESE Specialist/RTI Coordinator, at 754-322-6969

Guidance/Social Work

Greetings Markham Mockingbirds!

Though we are still navigating through uncharted and unknown grounds, we are excited to welcome you back to another school year. Let's work together in Soaring to Success!



21st Century

Our 21st Century Aftercare program has been up and running via online through Canvas and Microsoft Teams. Currently, we have a few openings for 3rd grade and 4th grade. If you are interested in your child attending 21st Century or just want more information, please contact our 21st Century Site Coordinator, Jamie Moore at 754-322-6969.

Math Department

The implementation of the Benchmark for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) for Kindergarten and First Grade will start in the 2020-2021 school year. Click on your grade level to check out the new standards. The following year, 2021-22, the Second Grade will partially implement the new standards. By 2022-2023, Florida classrooms will have fully transitioned to the B.E.S.T. Standards, including aligned materials, and aligned statewide assessments.

Kindergarten: https://browardcountyschools-my.sharepoint.com/personal/p00095047_browardschools_com/_layouts/15/undefined

1st Grade: https://browardcountyschools-my.sharepoint.com/personal/p00095047_browardschools_com/_layouts/15/undefined



FREE & REDUCED MEAL PROGRAM:

Parents, if you have not already done the steps, please go online and complete **ASAP:**

1. Go online and apply for the Free & Reduced Meal Program at: www.myschoolapps.com
2. Complete the Back To School Forms at: <https://www.browardschools.com/Page/38091>

REMEMBER TO SEND US THE CONFIRMATION # THAT YOU'VE DONE THE BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS AND WE CAN GO IN TO REVIEW YOUR UPDATES.

Meal Charge Policy

Students are expected to pay for their meal at the time of service. Broward County Public Schools encourages families to complete a meal benefits application to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price meals. **All students must pay the full price for lunch** unless designated through the Meal Benefits office to be eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

Parents must re-apply each year for their child(ren). If you have not applied to the program this year and/or have been changed back to FULL PAY - \$2 PER LUNCH -- then your student is accruing a debt for lunch meals taken.

Parents of previous and new students are urged to apply asap online at: www.myschoolapps.com

English/Spanish 10/1/2020 Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Our professional teachers are continuously working on professional development to develop their teaching skills and to increase their levels of content expertise.

We are recognizing teachers at MARKHAM, C. ROBERT ELEMENTARY who are expanding their expertise beyond their current certification by pursuing college coursework and/or training sessions to become certified or endorsed in another/other subject(s).

In order to remain in this/these assignment(s), the teacher(s) will successfully complete required training within 12 months of the assignment or, if teaching the primary English or Reading class to identified limited English proficient students, in accordance with the Multicultural Education Training Advocacy (META) timeline.

Estimado(s) Padre(s)/Guardián(es): Nuestros maestros profesionales están continuamente mejorando sus habilidades docentes y desarrollando niveles superiores de conocimiento. En particular reconocemos a los maestros de MARKHAM, ROBERT C ELEMENTARY que están expandiendo sus conocimientos por encima de lo que requiere su certificación actual a través de cursos universitarios y/o sesiones de entrenamiento para certificarse en otra(s) asignatura(s). Para continuar realizando esta función el próximo año escolar, el(los) maestro(s) tendrá(n) que terminar con éxito el entrenamiento requerido dentro de los 12 meses que este dura o, si le están dando la clase de Inglés/Lectura de primaria a estudiantes con un dominio limitado del inglés, de acuerdo con el plazo de tiempo asignado por Multicultural Education Training Advocacy (META). Estos maestros son:

These teachers are:

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Current Certification</u>	<u>Out-of-Field For</u>
DAVIS	TINA	ELEMENTARY ELEM K-6	ESOL CATEGORY 1
DICKERSON LEVEL NOT ESOL CATEGORY 1	DAVID	ED LEADERSHIP LEVEL NOT ELEMENTARY ELEM 1-6 SCH PRINCIPAL	
GARCIA ElementaryEducation	OMARI	ENGLISH GRADES 6-12	ESOL CATEGORY1
GREEN Education	ALBERT	SOCIAL SCI GRADES 6-12	ESOL CATEGORY 1 Elementary
HILLS	ADRIENNE	ELEMENTARY ELEM K-6	ESOL CATEGORY 1
LEWIS Education Music	VIVIAN	SCH SOCIAL WKR PRE K-12	ESOL CATEGORY 1 Elementary
PERMENTER ElementaryEducation	KEIRRA	SOCIAL SCI GRADES 6-12	ESOL CATEGORY1
PHILIPPE	GERRILYNN	PREK-PRIMARY AGE 3 GR 3	ESOL CATEGORY 1
PHILLIPS ElementaryEducation	SUSAN	EXCEPT STU ED GRADES K	ESOL CATEGORY1
PITTERS	MARK	ELEMENTARY ELEM K-6	ESOL CATEGORY 1
RICHARDS DEVERTEUIL JACQUELINE		ELEMENTARY ELEM K-6 GIFTED	
ROSIER	ANGELA	ELEMENTARY ELEM K-6	ESOL CATEGORY 1

I-Ready AP 2 (ELA)

DECEMBER 7-8, 2020

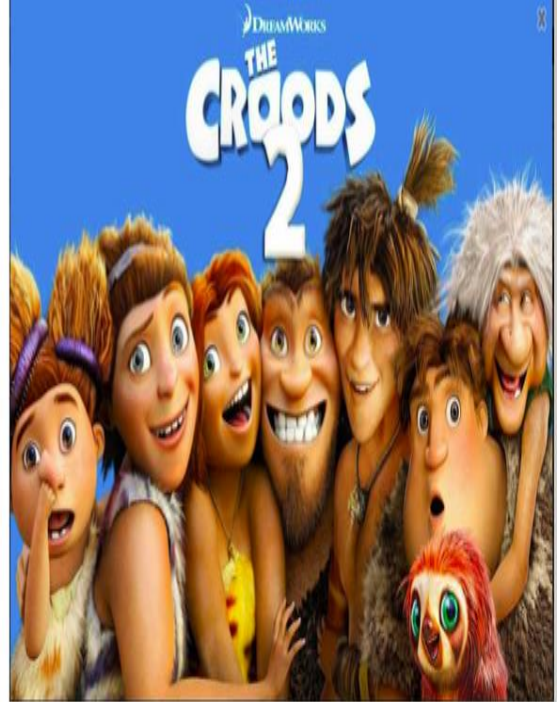
KG-362 GRADE1-434 GRADE2-489
GRADE3-500 GRADE4-523 GRADE5-544



I-Ready AP 2 (MATH)

JANUARY 11-12, 2021

KG-362 GRADE1-402 GRADE2-428
GRADE3-439 GRADE4-460 GRADE5-470



Meet or Exceed the Grade level goal in either subject and you qualify to participate in the iReady Incentive Movie

Night!

Friday, January 15th

@ 7pm

Markham Elementary 2021 FSA Testing Dates

GRADE LEVEL	ELA	WRITING	MATH	SCIENCE
Third	April 6 & 7		May 11 & 12	
Fourth	May 4 & 5	April 6	May 11 & 12	
Fifth	May 4 & 5	April 6	May 11 & 12	May 18 & 19



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 MONEY 2021
 GOOD LUCK Friendship
 SATISFACTION FRIENDSHIP
 Success
2021
 Happiness
 Peace
 Satisfaction

Health
 Money
 Wish you all the best for 2021
HAPPY NEW YEAR
 Love
 Success
 Health
 2021